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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Mitsuyuki MATSUMOTO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/622,439

Confirmation No.: Unassigned

Group Art Unit: 1647

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Examiner: S. WEGERT

For: NOVEL G PROTEIN-COUPLED RECEPTOR PROTEINS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please enter the following amended claim:**

4. (Twice Amended) A method for producing a G protein-coupled receptor protein

which has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4, comprising culturing the host cell of claim

3.

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